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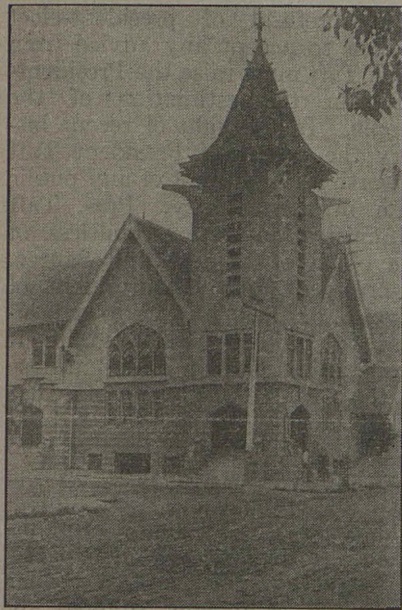
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A TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR RALLY



WESLEY M. E. CHURCH

For the relief of this church a \$10,000 rally will be held the first week in May. This is perhaps the first church in the history of this country to be assessed \$6,500 for street improvements.

The Cause a Worthy One and Deserves the Support of the People Generally

May 1st, being the twenty-first anniversary of Wesley M. E. Church its members and friends will inaugurate a great rally to raise funds to assist in the payment of its debt. A recent street assessment added the enormous sum of \$6,500 to the indebtedness of the Church. To relieve the membership of this big load, the great rally will be held. The rally will be opened with a lecture by Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, at the Temple Auditorium on the evening of May

1st. The occasion of the visit of this great scholar and widely known philosopher is a worthy one, and that, coupled with the wide spread desire of the people regardless of race to see and hear him, insures a full house.

The services that Wesley M. E. Church has rendered the colored people of this city, and the community generally, has been very great. What the Negroes in the Great M. E. Church have been to the Negroes of the country at large, Wesley has been to the Negroes of this city. The Negroes in the great M. E. Church have been the connecting link between the black millions of the country and the noblest Christian sentiment of the white race. That great Church has ever taken the lead in all movements for the moral and material advancement of America's black population. From time to time there have been movements to divorce that Great Church from its black membership, but in the spirit of Christ and of Wesley, she said: "I will have none of it"—the mission of the Church is the saving and making of men." In this great work if race or color is recognized the spirit of Christ is severed." With this view of the situation the Great M. E. Church, through its black membership, has made smoother the upward path of the entire race. What has been true with respect to the Negroes in the M. E. Church at large, has been especially true of Wesley M. E. Church of this city. Wesley has been the link in the great chain that connected the Negroes of this city with the best element of its white population. Through Wesley the Negroes have had a friend at the Court. And Wesley has played



REV. E. W. KINCHEN

Rev. E. W. Kinchen Pastor of Wesley M. E. Church is one of the best equipped young colored ministers in the M. E. Church. He is in every sense a man and the interest of the Church as represented by Wesley could not have been placed in safer hands.

no small part in making possible the present friendly relation existing between the two races in this city. The great struggle to be inaugurated to financially relieve Wesley M. E. Church should be inter-denominational, especially with regard to the colored people. In all matters for the uplift of the Negroes Wesley has taken no second part.

Her pastors have been broad,

capable men whose presence has been uplifting and helpful. The rank and file of her membership holds a high place in the community for their worth and intelligence. Rev. E. W. Kinchen, the present pastor, is one of the most capable colored ministers in the M. E. Church. He is not only rendering great service to Wesley but to the colored people of the entire city. In this connection it is gratifying to state that Wesley and her pastor enjoy the confidence and best wishes of her sister Churches.

STEADMAN'S COLORED BRIGADE

Unwritten Chapter of the Civil War. By an Eye Witness.

C. W. Bennett, Ph. D.

Gen. James B. Steadman, of the Union army, commanded the colored troops at the battle of Nashville. General Steadman recruited this colored brigade at the old Braden Building, still in use on the campus of Walden University at Nashville, Tennessee. This building, the former home of a Confederate, was General Steadman's headquarters. In it he recruited his men. They were trained soldiers under his command at the time of the battle of Nashville. General Thomas was viewing from Fort Negley the strategic maneuvers of General Hood just before the engagement. He called his staff, and asked whether some General would volunteer to take his brigade and break Hood's left center, stating that the loss of men would be so great that he would rather not order the troops in, but have them volunteer. While the Generals were considering it, he turned to General Steadman and asked him what the colored brigade would say. "I'll ask them," said Steadman. "When can you be back?" "In twenty minutes, sir." General Steadman rode away to his men, explained the extreme dangers of such a charge, and asked them whether they would be will-

ing to make it. They accepted the offer with prolonged and tremendous cheering, and sent back word to General Thomas: "We have nothing to lose, we have everything to win; let us go in." When General Steadman had conveyed the message, General Thomas said: "And will you lead them?" "Certainly I will, sir." "Then make the charge tomorrow morning."

General Steadman drilled his troops to fall to the ground at sight of the first flash of the long line of Confederate guns. The first shots went over them, but the gunners made calculations for the troops falling, and the second shots were disastrous. Before a third volley could be fired, the troops were not in reach of the guns. The colored brigade charged the Confederate batteries. It was a desperate hand-to-hand fight. Part of the batteries were captured.

Then a fierce bayonet charge followed upon the Confederate trenches behind the batteries, with deadly effect. It was one of the most daring feats of the great war. The Confederate lines finally retreated from their trenches, and left center was broken through. Steadman's colored brigade had turned Hood's left wing, and made it possible for Thomas to win the battle of Nashville. It was an awful carnage. Many colored soldiers lay dead or wounded upon the field, but they had counted the cost; their General had warned them of the danger, and they understood what the sacrifice would mean. They had fought valiantly in the defense of the flag and to maintain their honor as a race. No white troops in that great war ever made a braver stand. Who thinks of Steadman's Brigade as of the soldiers of Waterloo or of Thermopylae.

The Negro is a patriotic American, loyal to his country and true to its principles. American history sustains the fact of his courage in the times of his country's need. It is a recorded historical fact that he has been engaged in every American war from 1775 to the charge up San Juan Hill,

July 1, 1898. According to official statistics issued by the War Department, there was 178,595 colored soldiers in the Federal army during the War of the Rebellion. The part they had in it to preserve the Union is the romance of American history.—S. W. C. Advocate.

TREATED PRES. TAFT RIGHT

The refusal of president-elect Wilson to accept any advice from Pres. Taft must raise the President-elect in the estimation of the people. In the light of recent history the advice of President Taft is worth less than that of any public man in the country. Pres. Taft administration is not guiltless of the blood of Madero and Saurez, ex-president and vice-president of Mexico. Unless he was in a position to protect Madero's life it was criminal for his representative at the City of Mexico to ask that official to resign and throw himself into the hands of traitors who were up in arms to overthrow the legal government of that unfortunate country. Suppose for instance, after the second battle of Chancellorsville, and the other disastrous campaigns suffered by this country up to the close of the gloomy year of 1862, the ambassador of Great Britain had demanded the resignation of Pres. Lincoln? Up until that time the cause of the Union had made no better show than had Madero when United States Minister Henry Lane Wilson asked him to resign.

Another thing President Taft was in no position to intercede for the protection of human life in a foreign country. In view of the fact, that, during his administration, hundreds of American citizens of color have been murdered in cold blood by lawless mobs without provoking the slightest official protest from Pres. Taft; puts his solicitation for the protection of life in Mexico in very poor grace. Although less than two months of this year have passed 13 Negroes have been murdered in cold blood by mobs. Two of whom were burned at the

stake, one being burned in a Mississippi Court House yard with hundreds of white women and children as spectators. The contempt with which the world must view Taft's action in this connection is beyond the power of words to describe. Immortal Abraham Lincoln said: "This country cannot endure permanently half slave and half free." The truth of that statement has been proven. Whether it can endure permanently with half of the people respecting its laws, while the other half is treating them with contempt remains to be seen.

There is one thing of which we are certain and that is no other country has made a success of such a policy.

WILL SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO SACRAMENTO

Since the Moorhouse separate school bill was introduced at Sacramento—the feeling that the Negroes should be represented at the State capitol has become so universal that the sending of a representative there to look out for the interests of the race is now certain. The situation is a serious one, and those who advocate the placing of our interests in the hands of other people, either do not understand the gravity of the situation, or, are so wanting in experience that it would be worse than suicide to leave matters of such vital importance even for a moment in their hands.

There have been introduced in the present legislature some fifteen or twenty bills affecting the business interests of certain corporations; and already a conference composed of Chambers of Commerce and other business organizations have met and organized for the purpose of sending a powerful lobby to Sacramento to prevent the passage of said bills. In neither of the bills they propose to fight is there anything that in the remotest way threatens the constitutional rights of the white people of this state or of the members of said corporations. And

yet, the corporations, whose moneyed interests would be affected by the passage of said bills, propose to send representatives to the Legislature and spend thousands of dollars to prevent the passage of said bills.

Another thing worthy of note in this connection is the fact that every member of the legislature is white, and the corporations, whose financial interests are threatened, are composed wholly of white men. Now, if white men find it necessary to spend money and send representatives to Sacramento to protect their financial interests in a legislature composed of white men, what ought Negroes who have no representation and whose constitutional rights are threatened with destruction, do? Are their constitutional rights of less moment to them than is the white man's right to make money? In a legislature composed of white men, are the Negroes' rights safer than those of the white people? Under the circumstances if white business men regard it as necessary to send representatives there to watch their financial interests, what ought the Negroes, whose constitutional rights are involved do? The Negro's line of duty in this case is so plain that "the blind can see, the fool need not err; nor the wayfaring man lose the way." Those who are shouting: "We are alright, everything is safe; we need no representation at Sacramento" are only advertising their ignorance of the situation, and their utter unfitness to be trusted with any thing involving the rights of a people.

We have the utmost confidence in the eighteen gentlemen who represent this county in the state legislature, and believe that they will do what they can to secure for the Negroes a square deal in this matter. But this fact is no reason whatever for the Negro not to aid these men with a personal representative from their own race. We have discussed this matter with a number of representatives from this county and every one, with legislative experi-

ence, agrees with us, that, representation in the person of a sober, capable man of experience would do no harm whatever, but much good by being present and keeping in touch with the committees on education in the Senate and assembly.

The concensus of opinion among the thoughtful men and women of the race is that a man must and will be sent. And that until a member of the race is elected to the legislature, the Negroes will have to be represented by a personal representative at each meeting of the legislature. And in sending a representative the utmost care will have to be exercised in selecting a man who will use his time in looking after the interests of the race instead of making speeches and displaying his oratorical ability to members of the legislature. This is no time for spread-eagle speech-making. The present situation is so serious that there is no place for orators and seekers after notoriety. Thus far, that is about all we have developed in this fight.

MISS LATICHA MARTIN DIES SUDDENLY

Miss Laticha Martin, a popular young woman, and long a Sunday School teacher in Wesley M. E. Church, died suddenly at the Methodist hospital, Wednesday morning. Funeral services will be held at Wesley M. E. Church, corner 8th and San Julian streets, Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

INTER-MARRIAGE BILL IN KANSAS

The bill to prohibit the intermarrying of whites and blacks which passed the Kansas House of Representatives, was killed in the Senate judiciary committee last week. Mr. Herr, its famous author, has introduced a similar bill in the House, which it is hoped, will never get out of the committee room.

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A good name is better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting; for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart.

Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.

The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.

It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.

For as the crackling of thorns

under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this also is vanity.

Ecc. 7-1-6.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TREATED WITH CONTEMPT

The cold blooded, brutal murder of ex-president Madero, and his vice-president Suarez, while in the custody of the Huerta-Diaz regime, shows the utter contempt with which the United States government is held in Mexico. In spite of Pres. Taft's request that, their lives be protected, they were rudely forced out of their beds after mid-night, carried into the public streets and shot down like dogs. If the demand made on Huerta and Diaz by the United States had been made by Great Britain, Germany or Russia, either Madero and Suarez would be alive today, or the government treated with the contempt with which the American government has been treated would be conducting the investigation into the killing of these two men, on its own account.

Mr. Taft demanded of Huerta and Diaz a fair trial for Madero; in response to that demand Madero and Suarez were taken out and shot to death, undoubtedly with their knowledge and consent. Now President Taft is depending upon the men who had Madero murdered to point out the guilty parties. This is a farce in keeping with American methods of finding the guilty members of a mob that murders a Negro.

Had Great Britain been treated with such contempt, British soldiers would have been thrown into Mexico the next morning, and Huerta and Diaz held as prisoner, pending an investigation by the British authorities. If the United States is to maintain her dignity as a nation she will have to intervene in Mexico, and bring Huerta and Diaz to trial for the most diabolical murder of the century.

The integrity of this nation has been grievously insulted. An outrage has been committed against civilized government, and under

the Monroe Doctrine this country is responsible for it.

Williams' Jubilee Singers under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. will sing at Temple Auditorium "Theater Beautiful" one night only Wednesday evening, March 12th. Prices, \$1.00. 75, 50 and 25 cents.

CASH FIRST SAYS REV.

GORDON

"If we are not able to leave our children a material fortune, let us at least give them a good religious training. With that they can make it —A religious training consists of head, heart and hands."

Tabernacle Baptist Church calendar for 1913. J. D. Gordon, pastor.

From the above, it appears that Rev. J. D. Gordon, regards the acquiring of a "material fortune" as the end of existence. He would have us first, leave our children a "material fortune," but, if we find we cannot do this, he would then have us give them a good religious training. With this training, he concludes, they, our children, could themselves make a "material fortune." The parsons doctrine seem to be just the opposite of what Christ teaches. In Matt. 6-33 Christ says: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

The first need of the young men and women of today is a Christian education; with this, the foundation would be laid for the acquisition of all things needful.

The T. B. C. Calendar is an eight by six, four page publication published by Rev. J. D. Gordon and circulates largely among the members of his Church on Sunday. As an advertising medium it is a money maker; there being two and one half pages of ads, while there is only one and one half pages of original matter.

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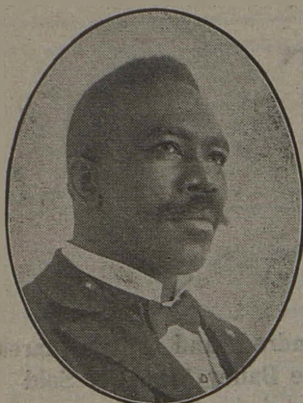
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